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From: Vandegrift, Serina N.  
 Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 8:27 AM  
 To: [REDACTED]  
 Subject: updated draft  
 Attachments: Vandegrift FBI Jan 2010 B.doc

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Attached is the latest draft of my entry for the *Encyclopedia on Biodefense*. As I mentioned a couple of weeks ago, ALL my sources are open source. For the Laboratory Division section and its associated programs, I received input from [REDACTED]. For a description of the Intelligence Section embedded w/in the WMDD, I received the OK from [REDACTED]. I asked the WMDD's AD Sr. Policy Advisor to review the draft and he made a couple of comments of wh/I incorporated the changes to the attached draft. The Sr. Policy Advisor is [REDACTED].

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I still need to "Blue Book" my cites wh/is the proper format for legal citations but that should not have an impact on the review of the substantive material in the draft.

The following is the by-line I drafted for the entry:

*Serina N. Vandegrift addresses Weapons of Mass Destruction policy issues at the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Headquarters.* [emphasis added] Ms. Vandegrift [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The views, opinions, and research herein represent the product of the author only.

[REDACTED] told me that she thought it was inappropriate that I "put yourself out there as [REDACTED] when you are not." I told her I disagreed and requested she clarify how I had done so. She stated my by-line "makes you out to be [REDACTED] and again, you are not." She told me she forwarded my by-line to an ethics person in OIC b/c I put myself out there as [REDACTED]. I do not know who the ethics person is and I have not heard from anyone. I do not believe the by-line can be construed that I am holding myself out to be a [REDACTED]. I am [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] I think stating that I "address WMDD policy issues at the Federal level" clearly sets forth my work position at the FBI. I never use the term [REDACTED]. Prior to submission, I reviewed my by-line w/a few colleagues at the office to avoid issues such as this.

I am confused by the process. I thought my supervisor [REDACTED] is supposed to review my draft for any information that may be classified. Instead, my draft is forwarded to [REDACTED] who reviews it and then tells me it is not w/in her jurisdiction to do so and does not offer feedback w/r/t the inaccuracies she verbally told me are present. She states she forwarded my draft to OGC and OIC (ethics) and that I need to wait to hear back from pre-pub after OGC has reviewed it. She also stated that the WMDD Front Office needs to approve the draft. However, your office has not reached out to any offices, that I know of. W/all due respect, this seems like a lot of approvals for an entry that is a personal product ... one that includes a disclaimer in the by-line. I searched the RMD website for guidance w/r/t the approval process. I want to follow procedure and correct/amend my material as necessary but at the same time, I do not want to delay my submission to the publisher.

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Any guidance you can provide is greatly appreciated.

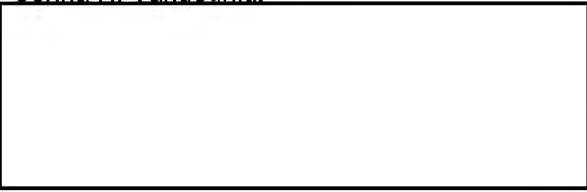
Sincerely,  
 Serina

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Serina N. Vandegrift. 



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[REDACTED]

**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 20, 2010 4:29 PM

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**To:** [REDACTED]

**Cc:** [REDACTED] Vandegrift, Serina N.

**Subject:** Re: FYI

Thanks [REDACTED] I am cc'ing [REDACTED] from the pre-pub unit b/c I think there is some confusion as to everyone's role in a personal non-work product review. Hopefully [REDACTED] can clarify. It was my understanding from [REDACTED] email to you that my supervisor is to review a personal work product and indicate whether any classified information is revealed ... not to assess the quality or content of the document but look for classified info. It sounds like you are shepherding it through offices I don't believe need to be involved per [REDACTED] email. If it makes you feel more comfortable, that's fine but I did not get that as part of the review process in my communications w [REDACTED]. To my knowledge, her office was not involving OGC. Since [REDACTED] had not contacted OGC can you let us know who the OGC POC is. I asked [REDACTED] who she sent my material to (b/c she stated the review was "outside" her jurisdiction even though she reviewed it per your request) and she said I have to go through pre-pub to get that. That will be difficult to do if pre-pub was not involved in that communication. Also, I don't know why the Front Office needs to review per [REDACTED] verbal statement, if this is a personal work product. One would think a review of non-classified material does not need to go to the DAD level. At this point I am asking [REDACTED] to clarify the procedure b/c it sounds as though we make be creating unnecessary work/reviews for a non-work related product.

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Thanks,  
Serina

**From:** [REDACTED]

**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N.

**Cc:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Wed Jan 20 16:08:58 2010

**Subject:** RE: FYI

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Serina I am not involved in this publication or the review process as this is not a Unit or Directorate assignment. This is something you have undertaken on your own. I have no problem with you doing that, but my role as [REDACTED] is simply to pass it through the appropriate bureau channels to pre-publication and OGC and who else they want to review. I can not get involved in the approval process other than approving it to the point that I pass it along in the process. I do not think it rises to the level of an ethics violation unless you publish it that way. This is the ethics review where they point out what if anything should be changed to prevent an ethics issue. I don't think it's a big deal-and certainly not one at this stage of the game. Thanks for keeping me informed. /

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 20, 2010 2:03 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** FYI

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I am bringing this to your attention if in the event it becomes an issue. When I spoke w [redacted] last week about my writing material, she told me that she thought it was inappropriate that I "put yourself out there as [redacted] when you are not." I told her I disagreed and requested she clarify how I had done so. She stated my by-line "makes you out to be [redacted] and you are not." She told me she forwarded my by-line to an ethics person in OIC. I do not know who the ethics person is and I have not heard from anyone. I do not believe the by-line can be construed that I am holding myself out to be [redacted]. The following is what it said: *Serina N. Vandegrift addresses Weapons of Mass Destruction policy issues at the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Headquarters.*

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In any event, the following is the description of [redacted] that is advertised on USAJOBS. This is essentially my current job description. Please pay particular attention to the first line. Even if I wanted to refer to myself as [redacted] it should not pose a problem.

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Again, this is just an FYI if additional action is taken and someone believes I committed an ethics violation.

Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift [redacted]

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Friday, January 22, 2010 10:39 AM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Encyclopedia Entry  
**Attachments:** Encyclopediaentry.wpd

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[redacted]

I am forwarding an email and attachment I received from the Lab Division that I used as information to include in the Lab section of the manuscript. Since HMRU had recently [redacted] and information was not available on the web, I asked [redacted] to assist me w/information. Also, I am also forwarding an email I rec'd from [redacted] in CBRNSU regarding that unit's activities.

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I thought this information may be helpful in your review.

Sincerely,  
Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift, [redacted]

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2009 2:18 PM  
**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Encyclopedia Entry

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Hi Serina. Please see the attached encyclopedia entry.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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The Hazardous Materials Response Program was established in the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Laboratory Division in 1996, and resulted in the creation of the Hazardous Materials Response Unit (HMRU). The mission of HMRU is to provide scientific, technical and forensic support to FBI Offices investigating crimes involving the actual or threatened use of any hazardous material, including Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD). This is accomplished through scientific and technical consultation and/or response on hazardous materials/WMD investigative matters; training, equipping and supporting the FBI's Hazardous Materials Response Teams; supporting National Security Special Events and FBI Special Events; liaison and training with the public safety, scientific, and international communities; and internal preparation and training.

The HMRU was divided into three separate units in July 2009. The Units and their specific missions are as follows:

The Hazardous Materials Response Team Unit (HMRTU) provides forensic and command and control/incident command system (ICS) expertise in support of FBI criminal and intelligence investigations involving the actual or threatened use of any hazardous material, including Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear. HMRTU personnel consult and/or respond on hazardous materials/CBRN. investigative matters; train and support the FBI's 27 Hazardous Materials Response Teams (HMRTs) throughout the country; support National Security Special Events and FBI Special Events; and conduct liaison and training with law enforcement, forensic, and international communities.

The Hazardous Materials Science Response Unit (HMSRU) provides scientific, technical and forensic support of FBI criminal and intelligence investigations involving the actual or threatened use of any hazardous material, including weapons of mass destruction (WMD). This is accomplished through scientific and technical consultation and/or response on hazardous materials/WMD investigative matters, as well as liaison and training with public health, intelligence, scientific, and international communities.

The Hazardous Materials Operations Unit (HMOU) provides advanced hazardous materials (HazMat) and technological hazard response services/capabilities to the FBI and interagency partners to support investigative and intelligence priorities through on-site crime scene operations, HazMat/Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) logistical support, high hazard crime scene safety, HazMat/WMD training, mission planning, interagency and state/local liaison, and infrastructure support to the overall FBI HazMat Response Program.

Supervisory Special Agents and Professional Support personnel are assigned to the above units.

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Friday, January 22, 2010 10:40 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Bio forensics

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[REDACTED]

Per my last email, this is CBRNSU's contribution.

Sincerely,  
Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2009 7:07 PM  
**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Bio forensics

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Serina,

Please let me know if this meets your needs

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[REDACTED]

I appologize for the delay

Regards

[REDACTED]

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From: Vandegrift, Serina N.  
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 3:33 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: Re: Bio forensics

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Thank you.

----- Original Message -----

From: [REDACTED]  
To: Vandegrift, Serina N.  
Sent: Thu Oct 15 12:04:03 2009  
Subject: Re: Bio forensics

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I will but it together tonight. I am on travel in [REDACTED] now. Sorry for the delay.

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Regards



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----- Original Message -----

From: Vandegrift, Serina N.  
To: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Wed Oct 14 17:26:52 2009  
Subject: Bio forensics

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Hi [REDACTED]

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Are you able to provide me w/a paragraph or a few sentences on the Bureau's bio forensics program or it's bio forensics activities? I am under deadline and wanted to double check w/you as to whether I should expect a very short write-up.

Thank you,  
Serina



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[redacted]

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**From:** Perdue, Gary D.  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 04, 2010 8:29 AM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

My bad. I was driving when I sent out the other response. I would like until Monday to finish my review and provide any comments. First read looks good though.

Doug  
Doug Perdue

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**From:** Perdue, Gary D.  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Thu Feb 04 06:24:13 2010  
**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

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I am good with this and have no issues  
Doug Perdue

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**From:** [redacted]  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.; Perdue, Gary D.  
**Sent:** Thu Feb 04 06:21:34 2010  
**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

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Good morning [redacted]

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I appreciate your assistance in this matter. I will be looking forward to hearing from SC Perdue.

Thank you

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2010 4:29 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.; Perdue, Gary D. [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: manuscript review

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[redacted] I have reviewed the document again thoroughly and I do not have any issues with it from the standpoints you

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requested on Monday. It contains no law enforcement sensitive information, techniques or procedures and there is nothing classified in this document. WMDD AD Majidi has also reviewed the document and has no issues with it. The AD did ask WMDD SC Gary D. Perdue to also review same. Once SC Perdue has concluded his review it is good to go. Thanks you for your assistance with this project. The WMD Directorate appreciates it and your efforts on our behalf.

Doug-please reply directly back to [redacted] once you are done. Thanks-

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Monday, February 01, 2010 4:23 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** manuscript

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Per your 1:14 email on FBINET, attached is the most recent draft of the manuscript. [redacted] and I went through the document and he advised I make the following change: where I state the FBI is the lead agency ... "for managing the interagency response to an incident" I should change it to "managing the law enforcement and investigative response to an incident." The former quote is directly from FBI and DOJ websites, however, [redacted] told me that he has told Dr. Majidi those statements are incorrect now that DHS has a coordinating role and that "to be safe" and address your concerns, I should change it to the latter quote even if the FBI website does not change it.

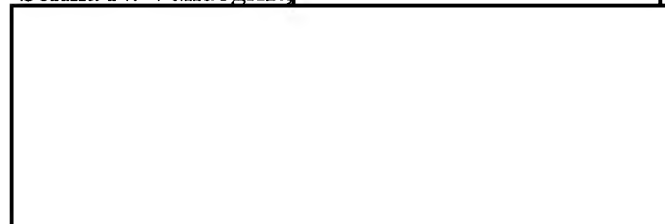
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Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift, [redacted]



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**From:** Perdue, Gary D.  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 04, 2010 6:24 AM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

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Doug Perdue

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[redacted]  

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**From:** [redacted]  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.; Perdue, Gary D.  
**Sent:** Thu Feb 04 06:21:34 2010  
**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

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Good morning [redacted]

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I appreciate your assistance in this matter. I will be looking forward to hearing from SC Perdue.

Thank you

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2010 4:29 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.; Perdue, Gary D. [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: manuscript review

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Doug-please reply directly back to [redacted] once you are done. Thanks-

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Monday, February 01, 2010 4:23 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** manuscript

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[REDACTED]

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Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift, [REDACTED]

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[redacted]  
**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 04, 2010 6:22 AM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.; Perdue, Gary D.  
**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

Good morning [redacted]

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I appreciate your assistance in this matter. I will be looking forward to hearing from SC Perdue.

Thank you

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2010 4:29 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.; Perdue, [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: manuscript review

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**Sent:** Monday, February 01, 2010 4:23 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** manuscript

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Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift. [redacted]

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[redacted]

**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Friday, January 29, 2010 2:23 PM  
**To:** Hardy, David M  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Manuscript

Mr. Hardy:

I am appealing for your assistance on this issue.

I am not in a position to challenge [redacted]. However, I believe there may have been a misunderstanding on [redacted] part with respect to review of personal work products. In her initial email to [redacted] requested a review of my manuscript for any classified information, information pertaining to an open case, etc., per Section 2.4 Prohibited Disclosures of the "Prepublication Review Manual" (Manual) (p. 9). b6 -2

I understand [redacted] concerns in wanting to protect the FBI's interests and therefore his request of a more thorough review from a number of other entities w/in the Bureau. My concern is that this process is becoming a larger endeavor than need be; the review will be a quality review as opposed to looking for prohibited disclosures; and there will be a delay tactic wh/will result in my not meeting my editors' deadline. b6 -2

I recently [redacted] b6 -2

[redacted] I am also "in the dark" with respect to the Directorate's review ... many of my questions over the last few weeks have gone unanswered until today (please see below).

From my conversations w/ [redacted] her office is not in contact w/any of these other offices. I am under the impression [redacted] thinks that the Pre-Pub Unit is shepherding this through a review process or that there is some kind of contact. I also do not think he is cognizant of any timelines/deadlines, even though [redacted] included it in her email. b6 -2

I submitted the draft manuscript the first week in January w/the assumption that the Manual's general rule of response is "within 30 workdays of receipt." I forwarded a draft on January 4.

It may help if you or [redacted] contact [redacted] especially with respect to a deadline issue. This manuscript is a personal work product and I do not believe any of the individuals [redacted] contacted are going to review this document any time soon. I spoke w/ [redacted] this afternoon and she stated that RMD/Pre-Pub needs to address the deadline issue and not me ... I don't mean to punt it to your office but w/out further guidance or set deadlines from your office, I am at a loss and will not meet my obligations to [redacted]. b6 -2,-3

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,  
Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift, [redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2010 1:07 PM  
To: Vandegrift, Serina N.  
Subject: Re: Manuscript

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Yes. [REDACTED] The DAD will also review once it comes back  
from pre-pub. [REDACTED]

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----- Original Message -----

From: Vandegrift, Serina N.  
To: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Fri Jan 29 10:37:09 2010  
Subject: Manuscript

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[REDACTED]  
Other than [REDACTED] did you forward my manuscript to anyone for review?  
Serina



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[redacted]

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.**Sent:** Friday, February 05, 2010 7:44 PM**To:** Perdue, Gary D.**Cc:** [redacted]**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

Thank you. You will be glad to hear my 2 other manuscripts (another chapter for the same encyclopedia but on a different agency and a WMD piece for a Naval War College publication) do not require Bureau review since they do not discuss the Bu and my by-lines do not mention FBI employment. Again, my apologies for temporarily diverting your Section's resources for this review.

Have a great weekend.

Serina

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**From:** Perdue, Gary D.**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N. [redacted]**Cc:** [redacted]**Sent:** Fri Feb 05 19:21:59 2010**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

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Serina:

Thanks for indulging us on these requested changes.

Although this is a personal product, we all of course want the correct information to go out to the public.

Thanks and have a safe weekend.

Doug  
Doug Perdue

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.**To:** Perdue, Gary D. [redacted]**Cc:** [redacted]**Sent:** Fri Feb 05 18:35:04 2010**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

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Understood. Although these comments do not relate to classified information I can see your point on wanting to protect the Bureau's interests. This is not a work product but a personal product. Nonetheless, I will delete the sentences about [redacted] I will re-write the sentence

regarding [redacted] Is there anything else you would like to see changed?

Serina

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**From:** Perdue, Gary D.**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N. [redacted]**Cc:** [redacted]**Sent:** Fri Feb 05 13:11:48 2010**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

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Serina:

CPS crew appreciates you accepting the majority of our comments. However, we stand-by our comments that you did not accept. Please try to incorporate the following comments as much as possible:

First comment: [REDACTED]

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2nd: [REDACTED]

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Last comment: [REDACTED]

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.

**To:** Perdue, Gary D.

**Cc:** [REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Thu Feb 04 19:11:36 2010

**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

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Serina

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Doug

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**Sent:** Thu Feb 04 06:21:34 2010  
**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

b6 -2

Good morning [REDACTED]

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I appreciate your assistance in this matter. I will be looking forward to hearing from SC Perdue.

Thank you

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2010 4:29 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.; Perdue, Gary D.; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: manuscript review

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Monday, February 01, 2010 4:23 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** manuscript

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Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift.

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[REDACTED]

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[redacted]  
**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Friday, February 19, 2010 12:22 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

b6 -2

[redacted]  
My apologies for taking so long to respond - I have been out of the office very ill for several days. If it's not a problem, could you please mail the approval letter to my home mailing address. Again, thank you for all your assistance in this review process.

Sincerely,  
Serina

b6 -2

[redacted]  
**From:** [redacted]  
**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Wed Feb 17 10:03:18 2010  
**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

b6 -2

Good morning Ms. Vandegrift,

Thank you for forwarding Mr. Perdue's approval email. The manuscript has been approved. I will be sending you an approval letter. What address do you want the letter sent to?

Thank you

b6 -2

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2010 3:55 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: manuscript review

b6 -2

b6 -2

[redacted]  
Below are the approvals from my supervisor and Doug Perdue, the CPS Section Chief. Please let me know if you require additional information.

Thank you,  
Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift [redacted]

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b7E -4

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2010 3:48 PM  
**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Cc:** Perdue, Gary D.  
**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

b6 -2

I have already provided my approval to her. She is waiting for Doug's. Simply forwarding his email to her should be sufficient. Thanks.

**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Perdue, Gary D.  
**Sent:** Fri Feb 12 15:42:26 2010  
**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

b6 -2

[REDACTED]  
 I spoke w/Doug in the hallway earlier this afternoon and he stated his email below is to be read as there are no more edits/suggestions from his section... their review is done. Unless you have any issues, could you please provide your conclusion to [REDACTED] in pre-pub the next time you are in the office so that she can provide me the official documentation to move forward w/the manuscript to the editors/publisher.  
 Thank you,  
 Serina

b6 -2

Serina N. Vandegrift, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED]

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b7E -4

**From:** Perdue, Gary D.  
**Sent:** Friday, February 05, 2010 7:22 PM  
**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N.; [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

b6 -2

Serina:

Thanks for indulging us on these requested changes.

Although this is a personal product, we all of course want the correct information to go out to the public.

Thanks and have a safe weekend.

Doug  
 Doug Perdue

b6 -2

**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**To:** Perdue, Gary D.; [REDACTED]

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**Cc:** [redacted] Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Fri Feb 05 18:35:04 2010  
**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

b6 -2

Understood. Although these comments do not relate to classified information I can see your point on wanting to protect the Bureau's interests. This is not a work product but a personal product. Nonetheless, I will delete the sentences about [redacted] I will re-write the sentence regarding [redacted] Is there anything else you would like to see changed?  
 Serina

b7E -3

**From:** Perdue, Gary D.  
**To:** Vandegrift, Serina N. [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Fri Feb 05 13:11:48 2010  
**Subject:** RE: manuscript review

b6 -2

Serina:

CPS crew appreciates you accepting the majority of our comments. However, we stand-by our comments that you did not accept. Please try to incorporate the following comments as much as possible:

First comment: [redacted]  
 [redacted]

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2nd: [redacted]  
 [redacted]

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Last comment: [redacted]  
 [redacted]

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**Subject:** Re: manuscript review

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**To:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** manuscript

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Monday, January 04, 2010 6:02 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Subject:** publication draft  
**Importance:** High  
**Attachments:** Vandegrift FBI 2009.doc

Hello [REDACTED]

b6 -2

Thank you for returning my call last week. I was asked to write a chapter on FBI's role in biodefense for the Encyclopedia of Bioterrorism Defense. Attached, please find a draft copy of my contribution. The content is fact-based and not opinions. Additionally, all the material was obtained from open source materials.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,  
Serina

Serina N. Vandegrift, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [redacted]

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 06, 2010 3:31 PM

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**To:** [redacted]

**Cc:** [redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Prepublication Review Office

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**From:****Sent:** Wednesday, January 06, 2010 3:59 PM**To:****Cc:****Subject:** RE: Prepublication Review Office**Attachments:** Vandegrift FBI 2009.doc

Well it works better with the attachment doesn't it! Sorry about that. Here we go-

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Wednesday, January 06, 2010 10:38 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: RE: Resume Followup

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b6 -2

Thank you for the letter [REDACTED]

b6 -2

Best of wishes in 2010!

Cheers,  
[REDACTED]

b6 -1

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tue 2009-10-13 13:07  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: RE: Resume Followup

b6 -1, -2

Hello [REDACTED]

b6 -1

Yes, your resume has been approved. I will be sending you an approval letter. Please provide me an address where you want the letter sent.

Thank you  
[REDACTED]

b6 -2

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2009 10:17 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: Resume Followup

b6 -1, -2

Hello [REDACTED]

b6 -2

I received an email from [REDACTED] stating that he didn't see any opsec concerns regarding my resume, but I was still waiting on the confirmation from you. Could you please confirm whether or not I'm cleared to release my resume?

b6 -3

Thank you,  
[REDACTED]

b6 -1

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**From:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 14, 2010 4:56 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted] Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Subject:** RE: Prepublication Review Office

b6 -2

[redacted]

This email is a follow up to my response to [redacted] of OGC. Apparently my manuscript has created several issues. I would like to propose the following: 1) I remove any mention of my FBI employment in the manuscript by-line, and 2) I mail you **hard copies of all my sources**.

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ALL my material was obtained from open source information, primarily US government websites. If the government sites publish incorrect information, that is not something I should be checking, double checking, and triple checking and/or correct. Each department/agency has its own fact checkers. One of my sources is the Assistant Director's, Dr. Majidi, contribution to a Symposium. (Majidi, Vahid. Unrestricted Warfare -- Senior Perspectives. Chapter, 2009 Unrestricted Warfare Symposium. The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory. 447-53) I reviewed his material w/a colleague in my unit who stated he believes Dr. Majidi may have misspoken/misstated a fact I cited w/in his work. That is something out of my control. I can only cite what is officially out there in the public domain. Additionally, Dr. Majidi has made comments during staff mtgs stating Bureau material on the web is outdated and needs to be revised. An author cannot wait until a department/agency revises its publication material ... he/she depends/relies on what is legitimately and credibly available in the public domain.

Again, ALL of my material can be found on the web and to save you some time and research, I can provide you hard copies from wh/to verify my work.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,  
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Serina N. Vandegrift [redacted]

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 06, 2010 2:29 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** Vandegrift, Serina N.  
**Subject:** Prepublication Review Office

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Good afternoon [redacted]

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I am [redacted] Coordinator of the Prepublication Review Office (Records Management Division). My office's function is to review intended publications by current/former FBI employees to determine if the employee has included information obtained during FBI employment, which should not otherwise be released. Examples would be classified information, Rule 6e, sensitive techniques, pending

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As is more common than not it is necessary that we call upon FBI "subject matter experts" to review the submissions of current/former FBI employees as the subject matter at issue is beyond the general expertise of my employees. It is in this regard, that I am contacting you.

Would you please have someone in your office review the manuscript from Serina Vandegrift (FBI- Weapons of Mass Destruction Directorate). Ms. Vandegrift has forwarded you her paper in an email on January 5, 2010. Please provide us your conclusions regarding the information in question. Should you have questions, please feel free to call or email me.

General Rule-We have 30 business days to respond to the author. Also, as the material is proprietary information, it is not to be disclosed/shared beyond those persons involved in the review process.

Thank you

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